NO. 15.

(House Joint Resolution 17)

Approving Senate Joint Resolution No. 84 and House Joint Resolution No. 150, recently introduced in the Congress of the United States.

WHEREAS, the residence of Francis Scott Key, formerly in the State of Maryland, and now in the District of Columbia, is recognized as one of the most prominent historic landmarks of this Country, having been the home of the author of "The Star Spangled Banner", at the time it was written; and

Whereas, the Columbia Historical Society, of the District of Columbia, has undertaken to have the residence fully restored as a patriotic shrine to be an inspiration to future generations; and

WHEREAS, the project has been approved by the National Commission of Fine Arts and the National Park and Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 1947, Senator Taft, for himself and Senator Tydings, introduced Senate Joint Resolution No. 84, to provide for the restoration and preservation of the Francis Scott Key Mansion and to establish the Francis Scott Key National Monument; and on March 13, 1947, Representative J. Glenn Beall, of Maryland, introduced, similarly, House Joint Resolution No. 150 in the House of Representatives; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate and the House of Delegates of the Maryland State Legislature in regular session assembled, do hereby approve and commend the action above indicated.

Approved April 16, 1947.

NO. 16.

(House Joint Resolution 20)

A House Joint Resolution directing the Governor and the Board of Public Works to reduce the budget for the next biennium by at least \$500,000 in each of the two fiscal years of said biennium, under the provisions, and within